

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Franck Savard  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Please amend the application before its examination as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Page 10, line 1 delete "CLAIMS" and insert therefore starting at the left hand margin --WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:--.

Claim 2, line 1 delete "characterized in that" and insert therefore --wherein--.

Claim 3, line 1 delete "characterized in that" and insert therefore --wherein--.

Claim 4, line 1 delete "characterized in that" and insert therefore --wherein--.

Claim 5, lines 1-2 "any one of the preceding claims, characterized in that" and insert therefore --claim 1, wherein--.

Claim 6, line 1 delete "characterized in that" and insert therefore --wherein--.

Claim 7, line 1 delete "claim 5 or 6, characterized in that" and insert therefore --claim 5, wherein--.

Claim 8, line 1 delete "claim 5 or 6, characterized in that" and insert therefore --claim 5, wherein--.

Claim 9, line 1 delete "characterized in that" and insert therefore --wherein--.

Claim 10, lines 1-2 "any one of the preceding claims,